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"Multicultural and Diversity Education," is a comprehensive reference guide to the latest trends and developments in the field. It covers wide-ranging developments in philosophy and policy through practical applications, and includes recent trends in critical multiculturalism, whiteness studies, postmodern theories of identity and community, and community participation. It presents choices available to educational institutions and their communities, with suggestions for how to surpass the initial steps that often alienate community members or perpetuate the problems that originally motivated an interest in diversity education. The book provides an overview of approaches to education for a pluralistic and democratic society, an introduction to the historical origins of diversity and multicultural education, and explanations of curricular options along with case studies, with specific attention to the potential further efforts that schools and communities face. The book includes an examination of professional and state standards and legal and political contexts. It also includes comprehensive, annotated bibliographies of print and nonprint resources for diversity and multicultural education, and a glossary of terms. (BT)

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